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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND.....\$10,000,000
Sinking Reserve.....\$10,000,000
Silver Reserve.....\$10,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS.....\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1906.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option all or part of their deposits to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1906.

DEUTSCHE ASIATISCHE BANK.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP.....Sh. Tael 7,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES:

Berlin Calcutta Hankow Peking

Tientsin Tsingtau Yokohama

FOUNDED BY THE FOLLOWING BANKS AND BANKERS:

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die Staatliche Bank

Direction der Disconto-Gesellschaft

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LONDON BANKERS:

Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENT.

DIRECTOR DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

HUGO SUTER, Manager.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1906.

NEDERLANDSCHE HANDEL-MAATSCHAPPIJ.

(Netherlands Trading Society.)

ESTABLISHED 1824.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Fl. 45,000,000 (L. 3,750,000)

RESERVE FUND Fl. 5,000,000 (L. 417,000)

Head Office—AMSTERDAM.

Head Agency—BATAVIA.

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Tegal, Pecalongan, Paseroean, Tjilatjap,

Padang, Medan (Deli), Palembang, Kota Radja (Acheen), Telok-Semawe (Acheen),

Bandjermasin.

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THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LIMITED.

THE Bank buys and sells and receives for collection Bills of Exchange issues letters of credit on its Branches and correspondents in the East, on the Continent, in Great Britain, America, and Australia, and transacts banking business of every description.

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Accounts 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances.

Fixed Deposits 12 months 4 1/2 per annum.

Do. 6 do. 4 per do.

Do. 3 do. 3 1/2 per do.

L. ENGEL, Agent.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....Yen 24,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP....." 21,000,000

CAPITAL UNCALLED....." 3,000,000

RESERVE FUND....." 10,300,000

SPECIAL RESERVE FUND....." 1,000,000

Head Office:—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies:

TOKIO, HONOLULU.

NAGASAKI, SHANGHAI.

LYONS, NEWCHANG.

SAN FRANCISCO, MUKDEN.

POMBAU, PORT ARTHUR.

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PEKING, DALNY.

Kobe, TIE-LING.

LONDON, OSAKA.

LONDON BANKERS:

THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.

PARRS' BANK, LD.

THE UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH:—INTEREST ALLOWED

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

6 " " 3 " " 3 " "

3 " " 3 " " 3 " "

T. P. COCHRANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1906.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP.....£800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS.....£800,000

RESERVE FUND.....£875,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT

at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

6 " " 3 " " 3 " "

3 " " 3 " " 3 " "

T. P. COCHRANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1905.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

FISCAL AGENTS OF THE UNITED STATES IN CHINA, THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS AND THE REPUBLIC OF PANAMA.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS

AUTHORISED.....GOLD \$10,000,000

CAPITAL PAID UP.....GOLD \$3,250,000

RESERVE FUND.....GOLD \$3,250,000

NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:

THREADNEEDLE HOUSE, E.C.

LONDON BANKERS:

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

UNION OF LONDON AND SMITH'S BANK, LTD.

BRITISH LINEN COMPANY BANK.

BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD.

THE Corporation transacts every Description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives Money in Current Account and accepts Fixed Deposits at the following rates:—

For 12 months 4 1/2 per cent. per annum.

6 " " 4 " " 4 " "

3 " " 3 " " 3 " "

H. PINCKNEY, Manager.

No. 9, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 19th September, 1905.

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

IN LIQUIDATION.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

7.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m. ...Every 30 minutes.

7.30 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

8.00 a.m. to 8.30 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

8.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

9.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

11.30 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

12.45 p.m. to 1.15 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

1.15 p.m. to 1.45 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

1.45 p.m. to 2.15 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

2.15 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m. every half hour.

SUNDAYS.

8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

9.00 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. ...Every 30 minutes.

9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

10.30 a.m. to 11.00 a.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

12.00 Noon to 1.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

1.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m. ...Every 15 minutes.

7.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. ...Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.

SATURDAYS.

Extra cars at 11.30 and 11.45 p.m.

SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS, Des Voeux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, Liquidators.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1906.

Mails.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR.	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	PESHAWUR..... E. Spicer, R.N.R.	About 16th May	Freight only.
SHANGHAI	OCEANA..... W. Hayward, R.N.R.	About 17th May	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	DELHI..... J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	19th May, Noon.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.	CEYLON..... C. F. Lockstone, R.N.R.	About 23rd May	Freight and Passage.

For Further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1906.

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW CONSIGNMENT OF

WATERPROOFS.

Anderson's Regulation in

BLACK AND KHAKI

"FEATHERWEIGHT" COATS

THE LIGHTEST MADE.

MILITARY CAPES.

UMBRELLAS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1906.

AQUARIUS

SPARKLING MINERAL TABLES WATER; Qts. Pts., & Splits.

SHIRAZ WATER; Qts.

STOUT GINGER BEER.

GINGER ALE.

TONIC.

PURE TREBLE DISTILLED WATER ONLY is used in the Manufacture of these beverages and by these means ABSOLUTE PURITY IS GUARANTEED.

SOLE AGENTS—

CALDBECK MACGREGOR & CO.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS,

15, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1906.

"MINMAX"

FIRE EXTINGUISHER

MINIMAX SYNDICATE, LIMITED.

LONDON, NEW YORK, BERLIN, HAMBURG, PARIS, VIENNA, MILAN, COPENHAGEN, ANTWERP, &c.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,

LOCAL AGENTS.

The most effective of all H. Fire Extinguishing Apparatus.

NO PUMPS.

NOBEL.

AUTOMATIC.

Extinguishes Oil, Varnish, Linseed Oil, Tar, Benzine.

Guaranteed to remain in working order for any length of time.

SIMPLE HANDLING.

Drive in the Knob and the apparatus is instantly sending Spray nearly 40 feet.

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Hongkong, 10th May, 1905.

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FOR SALE OR TO LET.

AT THE PEAK.

A SIX-ROOMED HOUSE, with Dressing and Bath-rooms; distant thirteen minutes by chair from the Peak; fitted with superior Baths and with Hot Cold Water; large Kitchen; Laundry; Servants' Quarters.

A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, with Dressing and Bath-rooms; distant thirteen minutes by chair from the Peak; fitted with superior Baths and with Hot Cold Water; large Kitchen; Laundry; Servants' Quarters.

For particulars and terms, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,

Hongkong, 8th May, 1906.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

In Casks of 375 lbs. net \$4.75 per Cask ex Factory.

In Bags of 250 lbs. net \$2.80 per Bag ex Factory.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th September, 1905.

Intimations.

PACIFIC MAIL COMPANY.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

SAN FRANCISCO EARTHQUAKE.

PASSENGERS desiring to pass through SAN FRANCISCO are hereby informed that our railroad connections and terminals have suffered no injury whatever from EARTHQUAKE or FIRE.

We are prepared to handle all traffic with the same facility and despatch as in the past. Passengers will be furnished accommodation on our steamers until the departure of trains. Every care and attention will be bestowed on the travelling public by the officials of these Companies, affording an opportunity to witness the City of San Francisco in its present state.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1906.

JAPAN

COALS.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA (MITSUI & Co.)

HEAD OFFICE:—1, SURUGA-CHO, TOKYO.

LONDON BRANCH:—34, LIME STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG BRANCH:—PRINCE'S BUILDINGS, ICE HOUSE STREET.

OTHER OFFICES:

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Telegraphic Address: "MITSUI" (A.B.O. and A. 1 Codes).

CONTRACTORS OF COAL to the Imperial Japanese

Intimations.

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NEW DRESS FABRICS

for SUMMER GOWNS

are wonderfully cheap.

MUSLINS

from 25 cents per yard.

FRENCH DELAINES

\$1 per yard.

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will wash and wear splendidly, 75 cents per yard.

VOILES, NAINSOOKS, ZEPHYRS, LAWNS, &c., &c.,

in large variety.

FIRST-CLASS DRESSMAKING

At very moderate charges.

WM. POWELL, LTD.,

Alexandra Buildings, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1906.

Intimations.

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8, D'AGUIAR STREET.

NEWLY OPENED SILK STORE.

Indian, Chinese and Japanese Silk Piece Goods, Silver Wares, Rare Embroideries, Grass Cloths, &c., &c.,

SUITABLE BOTH FOR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

Ladies' Blouses

AND

Gentlemen's Pyjamas

SUITS SPECIALITY.

Prices exceptionally cheap.

Inspection earnestly solicited.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1906.

COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic feet of COLD STORAGE available at EAST POINT. Stores will be open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods.

WM. PARLANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd June, 1906.

NIKKO CO.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS, in all kinds of **JAPANESE FINE ART CURIOS, TEA SETS, and SATSUMA WARE.**

At Moderate Prices.

Orders Promptly Executed.

No. 5, ARSENAL STREET, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1906.

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

GROUND FLOOR, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, HONGKONG.

SOAP AND SODA MANUFACTURERS.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S KAUTIENS' GENUINE COMPOSITION RED HAND PAINT, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT, DAHLERS' PATENT MOTOR LACQUES, &c., &c.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL CREAM and P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH WHISKY, &c., &c.

EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES, ALWAYS IN STOCK.

REASONABLE PRICES.

Hongkong, 7th March, 1906.

FURNITURE WAREHOUSE.

LI KWONG LOONG & CO.,
司公隆廣李

CABINET-MAKERS AND ART DECORATORS, from Shanghai, has re-opened their FURNITURE STORE

at No. 35, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

The only Shop in Hongkong with this name. **WHERE HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE** of every description can be made to order in any design required.

Have been patronised by the Hongkong Club, Hongkong Hotel, Telegraph Co., Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., Firms and other leading Establishments in the Colony, to whom reference may be made as to the Superior Workmanship and Materials of the Furniture, &c., supplied.

Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. write as follows:—

"We have pleasure in stating that Mr. LI KWONG LOONG furnished the Annex to our Dispensary and gave us every satisfaction."

(Sd.) A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.

ORDERS punctually attended to, and CHARGES most moderate.

AN INSPECTION INVITED.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1906.

CURES FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Big 6 is a sub-poisonous remedy for any venereal discharge and inflammation, irritation or ulceration of mucous membranes. Pain is guaranteed not to recur. Prostate congestion.

SOLD BY DRUGGISTS.

Circle mailed on request.

MANUFACTURED BY THE FINE CHEMICAL CO. CINCINNATI, O., U.S.A.

To Let.

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"HAYTOR," THE PEAK.
Immediate Possession.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1906.

TO LET.

No. 15, KNUITSFORD TERRACE, KOWLOON.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1905.

TO LET.

GODOWN No. 1, NEW PRAYA, Kennedy Town.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 27th June, 1905.

TO LET.

OFFICES in KING'S BUILDING and YORK BUILDING.

GODOWNS on PRAYA EAST.

A HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.

A HOUSE in RYON TERRACE.

FLATS in MOWTON TERRACE.

Apply to—
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1906.

TO LET.

No. 2, OLD BAILEY.

Apply to—
ARRATON V. APCAR & Co.,
45, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1906.

TO LET.

TWO GODOWNS at East Point, close to the Water, suitable for the storage of any Cargo.

Floor Area 6,100 square feet each.

Apply to—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, 20th January, 1906.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF

VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY,

situate at Caine Road, Victoria, Hongkong, in Two Lots.

MONDAY,
the 21st day of May, 1906, at 3 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, in Duddell Street,

by
Mr. GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

Lot 1—All those PIECES OF GROUND registered in the Land Office as SUB-SECTION No. 1 of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 120 and SUB-SECTION No. 1 of SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 122 with the Messuage and Buildings thereon, known as No. 29, Caine Road. Area 7,557 square feet. Annual Crown Rent \$43.88.

Lot 2—All those PIECES OF GROUND registered in the Land Office as the REMAINING PORTION OF SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 120 and the REMAINING PORTION OF SECTION B of INLAND LOT No. 122 with the Messuage and Buildings thereon, known as No. 31, Caine Road. Area 7,176 square feet. Annual Crown Rent \$43.94.

For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to—
EWENS, HARSTON & HARDING,
Vendor's Solicitors,
or to
Mr. GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION,

FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED,

on

THURSDAY,

the 14th June, 1906, at 11 A.M., at the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's premises, Kowloon,

COMPLETE CEMENT FACTORY,

Originally intended to be put up as the Kwantung Cement Factory, but landed in Hongkong on account of the Russo-Japanese War, will be sold, by order of proprietor Mr. Hereditary Honorary Citizen Anatoly Charlamyevitch Tatjukov of Saigrajevo.

The Plant of this Cement Factory, which has been fitted out with the latest technical inventions for manufacturing Cement, by the dry system, consists among others of:—

LOCOMOBILES (Wolf, Magdeburg),
MILLING MACHINES (Smidt, Copenhagen),
COOLING INSTALLATIONS (Atlas Fabr.),
ELECTRICAL (Allg. Elec. Comp.),
TRUCKS (Oranstein & Koppel), &c., &c.

All in all the whole plant is very nearly the same as the Factory Kijakdorp, near Malmoe in Sweden.

Specifications of the Machines and Accessories as well as any further information may be obtained from—

SIEMSEN & CO.,
Hamburg & Hongkong
and
LAWYER BUBNOFF,
in St. Petersburg, Wassili Ostrow 4 Linie, Haus No. 5,

as well as from the Auctioneers,
Messrs. HUGHES & HOUGH,
Hongkong, 1st May, 1906.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[N. C. D. News.]

The Opening of Manchuria.
Peking, 5th May.

The American Minister has demanded for his nationals the right of residence outside the settlements of Mukden and Antung.

The Return of the Ambassador.
Tokio, 5th May.

Viscount Hayashi has arrived at Tokio.

Royalty at Yokohama Races.
Tokio, 5th May.

The Crown Prince represented the Emperor at Yokohama races to-day. His Majesty has given a silver bowl to be raced for.

The Return of the Victors.
Tokio, 5th May.

The third and last welcome to triumphant military officers was accorded to-day by the Municipality and leading business men. It was a grand success.

An Anglo-Japanese Bank.
Tokio, 6th May.

An Anglo-Japanese Bank with £2,000,000 capital is reported to be in contemplation. The Japanese have already taken up half the shares.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

The writer of "Native Notes" in the N. C. D. News says:—The merchants and gentry of Canton have sent a petition to the Shantung to the effect that in view of the petitioners' contribution of twelve million taels towards the construction of the Canton-Hankow Railway without any assistance from official sources, they demand a guarantee that the Kwangtung portion of the line shall be a commercial enterprise for ever and entirely free from official supervision or interference. To this end the petitioners ask the Shantung to memorialise the Throne to issue an Imperial Rescript granting them their wish. This is different from the Hupeh end of the line which is to be "built by the merchants and gentry of Hupeh province under the supervision of the officials." It is just this point that Viceroy Tsch Ch'un-huen of Canton has been manoeuvring for the past twelve months, resulting, as may be remembered, in a deadlock between the officials and merchants and gentry, accompanied by high-handed and characteristic proceedings on the part of Viceroy Tsch to coerce the Canton gentry into his way of thinking. It seems, however, that the people of Canton are determined to carry out their object of keeping the line under their own control if they are to subscribe the funds to build it, and it remains to be seen whether the Shantung will back them up against Viceroy Tsch.

NERVES WRECKED.

Health undermined by hard work and anxiety this lady collapsed; bloodless, exhausted, unable to sleep or eat, she was in despair. Then a complete cure was found in **Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.**

Mrs. S. E. Dawber, who is the energetic owner of a prosperous fruiterer's business at 81 New-square, Wigan, England, is a typical woman of business. But her responsibilities were the cause of a trying crisis, from which only Dr. Williams' Pink Pills succeeded in rescuing her. "About four years ago," said Mrs. Dawber, "long hours of hard work and constant attention to business so undermined my health that without warning I collapsed, and became a nervous wreck, unable to do anything."

"I was in a very low state of health, and consulted a medical man, who pronounced my trouble to be general debility and nervous collapse. My face was deathly pale, and I was in a most distressingly bloodless state, exhausted by any exertion. Anger developed and I lost appetite entirely. All food was bitter to my palate; even milk caused indigestion. Life was unbearable; I couldn't rest night or day. Nothing seemed to afford me any relief, and I was in despair."

"One day I became interested in a book about cures effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I bought a bottle and found, after taking a few pills, that I was feeling better. My appetite returned; I felt blood tingling in my veins, and I was not easily fatigued."

"In a few weeks Dr. Williams' Pink Pills so built up my strength that I was at business again—strong, healthy, and high-spirited. I never felt better in my life than I do now. Not once since I took Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have I looked back."

For general breakdown of the nervous system Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are invaluable, for they feed the nerves while purifying and adding to the blood supply. Hence their wonderful success in nervous disorders, including Neuritis, St. Vitus' Dance, Paralysis and Locomotor Ataxia. In Anemia, Consumption, Indigestion, Eczema, Rheumatism, Sciatica, Early Decay, and all disorders resulting from poor or bad blood, they are a revelation. Sold by most dealers, but if any difficulty is experienced in obtaining the pills, the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Holborn-viaduct, London, England, will be pleased to forward one bottle for 3s. 6d., or six for 15s. 6d.



Mrs. Dawber, Owner of Nervous Collapse by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Hotels.

OCCIDENTAL HOTEL.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

MODERATE PRICES.

ELECTRIC FANS

TO ORDER IN EVERY ROOM.

EUROPEAN MANAGEMENT.

ELGIN ROAD, KOWLOON.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1906.

Oriental Hotel, MACAO.

A FIRST CLASS HOTEL situated in the Centre of Praya Grande with splendid view of the Harbour.

LARGE AND LOFTY ROOMS, Elegantly Furnished.

EXCELLENT CUISINE.

WINES AND SPIRITS of the best quality.

BILLIARD TABLE, the best in the Far East.

EVERY COMFORT FOR RESIDENTS AND TOURISTS.

For Terms, &c., apply to—
THE MANAGER.

CARLTON HOUSE HOTELS.

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BIRTHS.

On the 29th April, at Shanghai, the wife of Mr. M. ZIMMERMAN, of a son.
On the 5th May, at Yanchow, to Dr. and Mrs. P. S. EVANS, Jr., a daughter.

DEATHS.

On the 8th May, at Shanghai, WALTER GORDON STROUD, aged 27 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 14, 1906.

A WARNING TO HOUSEHOLDERS.

Considerable attention has been given of late to the largely enhanced cost of vegetables in Hongkong, but in dealing with this subject people are apt to overlook the dangers which lurk in the green foodstuffs which come into the Colony. It is a well known fact that in cultivating vegetables the market gardeners, who are practically Chinese to a man, are in the habit of using human excreta as manure, a practice which is prohibited in Hongkong, although no one will maintain that the custom does not prevail. In their annual report on the sanitary condition of the Colony, Dr. Clark and Dr. Pearce, the chief medical officers of health in Hongkong, call special notice to this practice and warn householders against the consumption of raw vegetables. Several cases of typhoid fever were traced or at least attributed to vegetables which were partaken of either uncooked or under cooked. "It cannot be too strongly impressed upon the public in this Colony that to indulge in uncooked vegetables, e.g. salads, is to run a risk of typhoid infection." These medical experts proceed: "By far the greater amount of vegetable food is imported into Hongkong from China. The Chinese as is well-known use human excreta as manure. The danger of this practice is not found in this mere fact itself, for provided that all such matter is thoroughly ripened in a manure pit before being applied to the soil the probability of contamination of the plants is remote. But there is danger in the practice of watering vegetables with diluted fresh excretal matters. It is not generally known to the public that the urine of a typhoid patient may contain the typhoid bacillus for weeks and even months after convalescence. Over such food grown out of the Colony there is no control at all. Within this Colony the bye-laws require all excretal matters to be removed to the conservancy boats and hence the using of it in gardens is illegal. Practically the only manure obtainable by gardeners in Hongkong is of human origin and the very existence of market gardens in this Colony must certainly be taken as presumptive evidence that human manure is used. In spite of the fact that people if caught removing excreta to any place but the conservancy boats are liable to punishment, no one should assume that vegetables grown in this Colony by market gardeners are, or can be grown with profit, without the use of human manure. The moral is obvious:—To eat uncooked vegetables unless grown in a garden where to one's own knowledge such manure is not used." If people adhered literally to that rule it is doubtful whether many would ever enjoy a salad in this Colony. It is practically impossible to keep a surveillance over the market gardens in Hongkong, and the ways of the gardeners are not always what they seem. No doubt many of those who have passed the gardens in the vicinity of Happy Valley must have had their suspicions aroused as to the character of the manure which was being used to raise the vegetables, but nobody dreams of taking action on bare suspicion, and the Chinese gardeners proceed to please themselves on the question of manure. The fact that the use of uncooked vegetables, grown in districts which are free from the trammels of sanitary inspection, is a very real danger to consumers is found in the report that next to plague the largest number of cases of infectious disease occurred under the heading of typhoid fever. There were 42 cases among Europeans, 16 of which were imported; while the Chinese cases numbered 37, and there were 11 cases among the other races in the Colony. It will be well, therefore, for householders to eschew such foods as those which imply the use of uncooked vegetables, unless, of course, they have a back garden in which they grow the plants under their own supervision.

HONGKONG'S POPULATION.

Some interesting statistics regarding the population of the Colony are given in the annual report on the sanitary condition of Hongkong. Very few have any idea as to the numbers of the respective races in the Colony, and a summary of the report on this subject may be of value in the settlement of arguments which continually arise on the point. It seems that the white population of Hongkong numbers 10,835, of whom 5,722 are civilians and 5,113 belong to the Navy and Army. The coloured races (non-Chinese) number 6,837. In the city of Victoria including the Peak and Stonecutter's Island there are 194,950 Chinese; in the villages there are 16,496; in Old Kowloon, 73,473; in New Kowloon about 21,000; while 54,154 live in boats. The grand total of Hongkong's population is 377,850. It will hardly be believed that of the Chinese population no less than 72.9 per cent. were males, according to the figures obtained at the last census, so that we have the unusual position of three men to every woman in the Colony. And these males are not boys or decrepit old men; the very reverse, for they are in the prime of life, or at least half of them are in that happy stage of between 20 and 45 years. Hongkong's population lives in 8,571 houses having 25,393 floors. The average number of persons in each house is 32.4 and each floor carries an average of 7.5 people. So that it will be seen the proportion is perilously near the limit laid down by the Government. Indeed, one is inclined to suspect that in some cases the restriction of eight persons to a flat is evaded. The non-Chinese houses number 966. The number of persons to the area built over is 270. If the authorities went by the births registered by Chinese their calculations as to the population would be wholly untrustworthy. It is the custom of Chinese parents not to register a birth unless the child survives the first month, and often in the case of female children the birth is never registered at all. It is therefore assumed that all children of one month and under who die in the convents, or are found dead in the streets, harbour, hillsides, etc., have been born in the Colony, but not registered, and accordingly a fairly accurate estimate is obtained by adding the number of registered births to the number of unregistered. According to that plan it appears that 124 males are born in proportion to every 100 females. In the non-Chinese community the proportion of male births to female was 103 to 100 last year; in 1904 it was 83 males to 100 females, and in 1903 and 1902 the proportion was 111 males to 100 females. The death rate is rapidly descending, and if figures could be implicitly relied upon, Hongkong should be one of the healthiest places on earth. In 1886 the rate of mortality was 31.79 per thousand; in 1905 it was 16.89 per mille, and the average for the five years from 1901 to 1905 was 17.62, a remarkable rate for a semi-tropical city. But this has to be remembered, that Chinese when in fear of dissolution seek their native land where they can die in peace and within sight of the ancestral tomb, so that these averages are not absolutely correct. Among the non-Chinese section of the population there were 302 deaths; of these 89 were British, 56 Portuguese, 16 German, 11 American, 6 French, and smaller numbers of Swedes, Italians, etc.

TRADE IN SINGAPORE.

An interesting and in some respects important review of trade prospects in Singapore appears in a recent issue of the *Free Press*. The writer after considering the outlook from a general standpoint comes to the conclusion that the position of Singapore is not reassuring, and "unless there is some change for the better in the condition of the local bazaar which is now far from satisfactory, the failure of large dealers hitherto deemed absolutely safe gives some intimation of what may be expected." The writer adds: "If, however, the bazaar quickly recovers in tone, a fixed exchange will prevent a recurrence of the enormous losses sustained by Chinese and Klings during the last months of 1905, giving greater ability and removing the principal hindrance to confidence in business transactions." Although there has of late been an abatement of commercial prosperity in Singapore, that fact cannot be attributed in his opinion to any lack of enterprise on the part of other merchants. On the contrary, business houses have never been half so alert or active as they are at the present time. They have been doing everything in their power to induce business, but all to no purpose. They have abandoned their former superior attitude towards an intending customer and crave his business, with the result that the customer is now the independent individual who is waited upon deferentially by the seller. And the reason for this changed attitude is found in the keenness of competition which has come to stay. It is now a question of a fifteen to twenty per cent. profit, but of anything under even. The question of exchange has blighted the Singapore merchants to the real state of affairs, and the writer predicts that 1906 will

show some surprising results to those who have trusted, in the past, to recoup themselves on a rising exchange. One of the features of trade competition is the sacrifices made by foreign houses to secure a share of the market, and now the elimination of the exchange question creates an important revolution in the methods of business finance. It is remarked that a short time ago it was sometimes possible to buy goods as cheaply as they were sold in Europe, but that was an unnatural state of things which will disappear with the fixity of the dollar. The fluctuation in home prices, and the movement in local stocks, remain the only speculative consideration which now enters into transactions, beyond the ordinary margins of profit. It is satisfactory to note that the position of Great Britain in the Southern Colony as a manufacturer of goods gives no cause for pessimistic utterance. She is far and away in front of her rivals, and there are no evidences of any weakening of her hold; rather does it appear as if she would improve her supremacy. One of the great drawbacks to legitimate trade in Singapore is the shipping ring which has affected commerce since 1897, by imposing restrictions entirely unnatural and disturbing the balance of trade by doing away with the benefits which flow from a healthy competition. The writer, however, believes that in the near future the introduction of vessels of huge tonnage which will oust the vessels of the "ring." The reviewer argues that Singapore is declining as a distributing port but maintains that it is increasing as a port of transshipment, although that is an unprofitable business when compared with buying and selling. In this connection he remarks that "even if, as some suppose, she has before her as a shipping port immense possibilities in the opening up of China, the cutting of the Panama Canal may be considered an offset in favour of the ports of Manila and Hongkong. The expenditure on harbour works, the expansion of facilities at Tanjong Pagar and the possible creation of a naval dockyard, would all mean the expenditure of large sums of money in the place itself, but this would be more or less of a temporary nature and it is doubtful, what, if any, increased benefit as a port would accrue." In all these circumstances the outlook is not reassuring for Singapore. But the writer neglects to take into consideration the rapid development of the hinterland, the large areas of land in Malaya that are being brought into cultivation, the extension of the railways, the opening up of Johore and a variety of other schemes which must all tend to make the chief port of the peninsula. On the whole, looking at the matter from a disinterested standpoint the writer may be deemed unduly pessimistic.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

ROCK SAM, the famous Derby winner of 1903, has been sold to Mr. August Belmont, the American sportsman, for £25,000.

THE British Admiralty has sent seven cruisers to sink the derelict steamer *Dunmore*, which is drifting in the track of the Transatlantic liners.

A SAMBANMAN was fined \$10, by Mr. F. A. Hazeland this morning, for carrying six passengers in excess of the number allowed by his licence.

THE Chinese Engineering and Mining Co.'s total output of the company's three mines for the week ending the 28th ult. amounted to 18,881.49 tons and the sales during the period to 16,123.44 tons.

FOR stealing a silk jacket from his master, a barber, of the Central District, an assistant barber was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour, by Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Magistrate's court this morning.

THE French Minister has made representations to the Waiwapi in respect of a French company which desires to establish a river service by jugs between Chungking and Ichang that such an undertaking is permissible under the Inland Navigation Rule laid down in the new Treaty.

THE members of the Garter mission have decided to purchase a jointly a large tract of land along the line of the Canadian Northern Railway, and to establish a colony there to be known as "Garteria," in commemoration of their mission to Japan. A wag suggests it will require plenty of "stocking."

OWING to the change of dates at Canton the Great Thurston show will remain at the City Hall for another three nights; a matinee will be given on Wednesday. The prizes of admission have been greatly reduced and it is expected that the crowded houses which have been the rule so far will continue to prevail.

LEAVE of absence to the neighbouring countries on private affairs has been granted to Captain G. Radham-Thornhill, Royal Garrison Artillery, from 16th May to 15th July, next.

It is said that the negotiations as to a closer connection of the Shell Company with the Asiatic Company, and consequently with the Royal Petroleum Company, are in full progress.

THE shields of copper presented to the captains of the *Kato* and *Yashima* as gifts from the British and Foreign Sailors' Society are fashioned out of metal from the *Victory*, and bear in deep relief the picture of the *Victory* beating up to Gibraltar with Nelson's body on board after Trafalgar. The shields are to be awarded annually to officers or seamen of the respective ships for deeds of helpfulness.

A FORTNIGHT ago, a Chinaman obtained a passage to Singapore by the s.s. *Lightning*. Half way to his destination the native developed lunacy and had to be kept under lock and key. On arrival at Singapore the police there refused to allow the man to land, and he was put aboard the *Catherine Ahear* and brought back to Hongkong yesterday. On arrival of the vessel in the harbour the Water Police took charge of the man and removed him to the Lunatic Asylum.

A FLAMANT, alias Vanderberg, alias Vander-muller, a Frenchman, was brought up on remand at the Magistracy this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, charged with alleged embezzlement, said to have been committed within the French jurisdiction at Canton. Sergt. Morrison, who had charge of the case, asked his Worship to withdraw the charge against the defendant on the ground that the French authorities at Canton had refused to prosecute. His Worship accordingly discharged the defendant.

LAM Lin, head "boy," Kowloon Hotel, was charged this morning, at the instance of J. W. Osborne, the proprietor, with behaving in a riotous and disorderly manner in the hotel on Saturday night. It appeared that some altercation took place between defendant and a European visitor at the hotel, which resulted in defendant challenging him to fight. Defendant avowed that he was first struck by the European. The case was remanded to allow the visitor to attend Court.

POLICE Constable Wills proceeded against a house coolie employed at No. 1, Observatory Villa, Kowloon, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, this morning, for being in unlawful possession of a quantity of ginger, reasonably suspected to have been stolen. The constable said he saw defendant's jacket looking bulky, and arrested him in Canton Road. A hen arrested the ginger was discovered under his jacket. His Worship imposed a fine of \$15 on the defendant.

DR. W. J. SIMPSON, Professor of Hygiene in King's College, London, has sailed for Singapore, having been appointed by the Colonial Office, acting on behalf of the Government of the Straits Settlements, to serve on a commission to inquire into and report on the sanitary condition of Singapore. Dr. Simpson's former experience in Calcutta, and his recent special mission to Hongkong in connection with the plague investigations, mark him out as about the best authority available for his present important duty.—S. F. Press.

WE (N. C. D. News) are courteously informed that the Directors of the Weiweiwei Gold Mining Co., Ltd., received a telegram from the Manager yesterday afternoon (4th inst.) giving the result of the second clean-up at Weiweiwei, covering a period of 26 days only, which shows a result almost identical with the first month's crushing. 1,715 tons were crushed, yielding 132 ounces, valued at about \$3,500 Mex. Also 90 tons of concentrates, valued at about \$15,000 Mex. The cost of running the mine for the full month was about \$13,000 Mex. The expenses are practically the same as last month. The total for the two months in rough figures based on the above calculations would be as follows:—Value in bullion and concentrates slightly over \$10,000; expenses about \$25,000 Mex.

The Directors of the Weiweiwei Gold Mining Co. advise us that the returns for the month of April should be about \$15,000 Mex. for the 26 days instead of \$18,000 Mex. as previously advised. This will require corresponding correction of the figures which follow.

THE CORINTHIAN CLUB.

FINAL CRUISE.

On Saturday afternoon, the Corinthian Yacht Club closed its racing season by a very pleasant and enjoyable cruise to Seetoon, remaining over Sunday. The weather was all that could be desired, and a most successful trip was the result. The party remained at Seetoon during Sunday, and several scratch races were sailed, the rest of the day being spent in bathing, etc., the fleet returning to Hongkong on Sunday, at 8 p.m.

The following yachts joined in the final cruise:—

Yacht	steered by	Mr. Pepper
<i>Hibernia</i>	"	Gibson
<i>Gael</i>	"	M. McIver
<i>Nina</i>	"	E. M. Hazeland
<i>Antirrhina</i>	"	McKirdy
<i>Annie</i>	"	Kynoch
<i>Thistle</i>	"	Witchell
<i>Chanticleer</i>	"	M. McCorquodale
<i>Isis</i>	"	Melville
<i>Thetis</i>	"	Crake
<i>Authors</i>	"	Hands
<i>Marion</i>	"	B. Witchell

The Club will now enter upon its swimming season, and for this purpose their new acquisition, the *Ark*, a species of floating dressing-rooms for bathers will shortly be anchored off the club grounds.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

CUSTOMS COMMISSIONERS.

PROTEST BY BRITISH AND AMERICAN MINISTERS.

FRANCE AND GERMANY INDIFFERENT.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 14th May, 3.20 p.m.

The British and American Ministers at Peking have presented a vigorous protest against the appointment of Chinese officials to be High Commissioners of the Imperial Maritime Customs.

It is contended that such appointments will deprive Sir Robert Hart of the powers which were conferred on him, and which have conduced to the stability of the Customs service.

The French and German Ministers profess to be indifferent one way or the other.

[N. C. D. News.]

Occupation by Purchase.

Peking, 7th May.
Prince Ching, reports that a large area of land in Mongolia, bordering on Kirin and Shengking provinces, where he is now inspecting, has been purchased by Russians, and the farmers are so destitute of means that it is almost impossible to redeem the land.

The Japanese and the Pacific Mail.

Tokio, 8th May.
The American Consul at London said to have reported that the Toyo Kisen Kaisha has floated a loan of \$5,000,000 gold in London for the purchase of the fleet of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

The Russian Terrorists Active.

Tokio, 8th May.
Governor-General D. Shassoff of Moscow was injured by a bomb thrown by a terrorist at the Palace gate. Two attendants were killed and the assassin also.

Russia and Tibet.

Peking, 9th May.
H. F. Hu Wei-tse, Minister at St. Petersburg, has telegraphed that Russia is projecting to send some fifty students of Lamasism to Lhasa, following the Dalai Lama who is expected shortly to start on the return journey to Tibet. The Minister thinks there is some political motive at present undisclosed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

THE ENGLISH CHURCH AT KOWLOON.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."
Dear Sir,—As it might appear from the wording of the Rev. J. Stevens' letter in your issue of 11th May, that I am providing a peal of bells for the new church at Kowloon, I will you kindly permit me to say that this is not so. The bells will be paid for by subscriptions which I am collecting.—Yours truly,
EDWARD OSBORNE.
Hongkong, 14th May, 1906.

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

DATE DEPARTURE.

American (*America*) 15th inst. a.m.
English (*Oceana*) 16th inst., 3 p.m.
Indian (*Namsang*) 21st inst.
Canadian (*Empress of China*) 22nd inst.
German (*Prinzess*) 23rd inst.
American (*China*) 30th inst.
American (*Albatross*) 30th inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. *Nippon Maru* sailed from San Francisco on 10th inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Monteale* left Yokohama on 12th inst., for Victoria and Vancouver.

The Great Northern s.s. *Minnesota* from Seattle arrived at Yokohama on 13th inst., at 8 a.m.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Reon*, which left here on 9th inst., arrived at Shanghai on 12th inst., at 3 p.m.

The N. Y. K. European Line s.s. *Asa Maru* left Shanghai for this port on 12th inst., and is expected here on 15th inst.

The N. Y. K. Bombay Line s.s. *Hakata Maru* left Kobe via Moji for this port on 18th inst., and is expected here on 21st inst.

The T. K. K. s.s. *America Maru* sailed from Shanghai on Saturday at 11 p.m., and will be due at this port on Tuesday morning early.

The Boston S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Trinidad* arrived at Manila on 12th inst. She is expected to leave that port on 16th inst., and to arrive here on 19th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Ozama* left Singapore for this port on 12th inst., at 10 a.m., with the outward English Mails, and is due here on 16th inst. at 3 p.m.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Nagasaki at 9 a.m., on 14th inst., and leaves again at 4 p.m., same day for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 9 p.m., on 15th inst.

The Imperial German Mail s.s. *Prinzess* carrying the German Mails, with dates from Berlin of the 24th ult., left Colombo on 13th inst., a.m., and may be expected here on 23rd inst.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of China* arrived at Yokohama at 5.30 p.m., on 13th inst., and leaves again at 3 p.m., Monday, for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 3 p.m., on 15th inst.

TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

BRITISH PROTEST.

AGAINST CAMPHOR MONOPOLY IN FUKIEN.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 14th May.

3.20 p.m.

The British Minister has submitted a protest to the Waiwupu against the granting of a camphor monopoly in Fukien.

[Reuter's.]

The Turco-Egyptian Boundary.

LONDON, 11th May.

Sir Edward Grey said, in the House of Commons, that Turkey's claims had raised issues far beyond Tabah; the safety of the Canal could not be referred to arbitration, and the best way of defining the frontiers was a joint commission, as Great Britain had proposed.

Later.

Yesterday, Tewfik Pasha, the Turkish Minister for Foreign Affairs, visited Sir Nicholas O'Connor, British Ambassador at Constantinople, and submitted certain proposals to him in connection with the Turco-Egyptian frontier. The proposals were rejected by Sir Nicholas O'Connor, who insisted on an absolute compliance with the British demands, and reminded Tewfik Pasha that the term of grace was drawing to a close.

12th May.

Admiral Lambton, with the *Thetis*, *Torrens* and *Milner*, is at Port Said, awaiting orders.

The ultimatum expires at midnight on Sunday and the fleet will take action immediately after.

It is understood that there are grounds for hoping the dispute is on the eve of a settlement.

The Chinese Mission in England.

The King has received the Chinese Mission.

Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, speaking at a meeting of the Society for the propagation of the Gospel, said that Japan was one of the great fields for future missionary work.

The Education Bill.

The Education Bill has passed the second reading by 410 to 204.

DISORDERLY AMERICANS AT HUNGLOO.

SERIOUS ASSAULT ON THE POLICE.

Mr. Isaac Rollins, a cowboy, and Henry Blackman, a fireman, on board the U.S.S. *Barry*, were charged before Mr. F. A. Hazell, at the Magistracy this morning, (a) with assaulting an Indian watchman, employed by the Kowloon Dispensary, at Kowloon, on Saturday night; (2) with assaulting P.C. 34 Lenaghan, Indian constables No. 597, and 838, and a *lukong* No. 145, at Hungloong, on Sunday; and (3) with carrying Constable 597 to his silver watch, valued at \$10.50, during the assault on the 12th instant. The defendants pleaded guilty to all the charges. It transpired that the defendants were seen by the European constable to be assaulting the watchman, and he went to the latter's assistance. Then the defendants turned upon him and broke a bottle over his head necessitating his removal to hospital with a scalp wound. The other policemen came to his assistance but were badly handled. The defendants escaped, but were subsequently captured. Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, assistant superintendent of police, who watched the case, said that one of the Indians received some serious injuries, and he asked for a heavy penalty. The defendants had nothing to say, and his Worship sentenced them to one month's hard labour each, without the option of a fine, and further to pay \$1.25 each or suffer a further two days in goal.

DOUBLE TRAGEDY AT WEST POINT.

TWO BOYS DROWNED IN A NULLAH.

Another tragedy occurred at West Point yesterday afternoon in which two school boys, both eleven years of age, lost their lives by drowning. It appears that the boys went to bathe in the catch water reservoir in the Shek-tung-tai nullah. They apparently could not swim for their bodies were discovered later by a *lu* one, who, after dragging them out removed them to No. 7 Police Station and subsequently took them to the mortuary. The deceased were both sons of shopkeepers, residing at Torsien Street and First Street, respectively.

A DISHONEST COOK.

STEALING FROM HIS MISTRESS.

This morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazell, at the Magistracy, Wan Po, an assistant cook, about 24 years of age employed at No. 50 Elgin Road, Kowloon, was charged by Mrs. May Milton with stealing a five dollar banknote on the 12th inst. The defendant pleaded guilty to the charge. Inspector Langley said that complainant despatched defendant with a letter to the Kowloon Dispensary on Saturday to purchase medicine. On the way defendant took the letter, extracted the \$5 note and failed to return to his mistress. His Worship ordered defendant to receive twelve strokes with the birch, and to be detained in goal for forty-eight hours.

THE WRECKED "CHUKONG."

COURT OF INQUIRY.

At the Harbour Office this morning, before Hon. Captain L. A. W. Barnes-Lawrence, R.N., Harbour Master, an inquiry was held into the circumstances attending the wrecking of the s.s. *Chukong* off Breaker Point on the 27th ult.

With Hon. Cap. Barnes-Lawrence, as assessors, sat Lieut. C. K. McCallum, R.N., Captain Wellesley M. Davison, of s.s. *Tartar*, Captain Percy M. A. Lake, s.s. *Lalang*, and Captain W. F. Turner, s.s. *Powhatan*.

Bentham Rutter, chief engineer of the s.s. *Chukong*, said that they left Hongkong on the 26th ult., the weather then being fine and the sea smooth, but that some evening the sea rose and the weather became stormy, and continued so until the next day, and the weather becoming worse that night, the vessel rolling heavily, the captain gave orders to slow down, and if the weather did not improve he would run for shelter. Witness did not get much sleep that night as the vessel rolled so much. At daybreak on the 28th ult., the chief officer called witness and said they were in trouble and great danger. When he got up he noticed she had a heavy list to port, and he ran down to the engine-room and found everything alright, and the telegraph was working, the port engine being full speed astern and the starboard engine full speed ahead. He went up on deck then, to the bridge, and the captain told him they were in the trough of a sea broadside on, and he wanted to get her head round to port before it. They tried it until 5.30 a.m. but could not get any way on at all. Her list to port was increasing all this while, until finally they could not use the starboard engine; the injection was out of water. Witness then went up and reported to the captain that he could do nothing with the engines, and he sent all the men out of the engine room on deck. The list increased until she turned over. It was a quarter to six when she went down. Just previous to her turning over the boatswain lost the life-boat by letting it fall into the sea from the bridge deck. All the Europeans were on the bridge when she took the final list. He noticed that they were all fully dressed, but they had no life-belts; some of the Chinese had got them on, and some hadn't. Witness had no life-belt. He did not know if there was a life-belt in his cabin, but he could not have got there to get it. When the ship was level with the water he had to jump over the side, and endeavored to pick up a life-belt. By the time he had looked round he was some distance away, and it was useless to try to get back on account of the heavy sea. He got into the lifeboat and tried to pick up any of the survivors. The boatswain was in charge of the tiller, and they finally made Breaker Point, and they landed on the beach, just under the light. The consul at Swatow looked after them. In the boat was the charterer and nine Chinese members of the crew, besides witness. Two others were picked up by a German steamer, but he did not know her name. They were on a raft. He learned that two others had been saved as the second engineer (Chinese) came to him in Swatow and told him that a fireman and he had been taken to Amoy in a German steamer that had picked them up, and that they had come on to Swatow on the *Hai Loong*. That was about a week later. They all returned to Hongkong in the *Hai Loong*. The second engineer was in charge of the engines from 8 till 12 p.m., the third engineer from 12 till 4 a.m., and witness would have been called at 4 a.m., but the third called the second instead. Witness asked why he was not called and the second said he forgot in the confusion. There were all proper arrangements for pumping water out of the hold of the ship, and the arrangements were satisfactory. When he went down to the engine-room at 10 o'clock there was no water there then; it was principally on the main deck. The captain told witness shortly after that there were three inches of water in the hold. It was the water in the 'tween deck that caused the heavy list to port. She was a river boat, and there were three decks. Witness saw the water in the 'tween deck. His cabin was on the upper deck. After he went down to the engine-room he went to look what water there was then in the 'tween deck. Water came down to the engine-room, and through the port bunker and stoke-hole. The water came through the door from the 'tween deck and witness seeing it closed the door. He saw a lot of water on the deck, about three or four feet against the ship's side. He did not report it to the captain, as he knew the chief officer had already done so. To his knowledge, or as far as he knew, there were no means of clearing the water on that deck. There were large ports, about five feet square. He did not know how they were secured, but the chief officer told him he had secured them. There were two hatches on that deck, for the purpose of passing cargo down to the lower hold. There were 150 tons of general cargo on board consisting of 1,217 bags of rice and 25 tons of coal, but that was spare coal for use in the engine-room. The bunkers were full when they left Hongkong. He did not know the tonnage capacity of the bunkers as he had no records. He did not know how much coal was on board altogether as it was received before he joined the ship. They always carry a couple of days extra coal in case of bad weather. All the rice was stowed in the lower hold, the 25 tons being also in the lower afterhold. Witness did not see the cargo on board. He did not think the cargo would shift and cause the list; bags of rice properly stowed would not be liable to shift. Witness stopped the starboard engine as it was useless to work it. The port engine was stopped by orders from the bridge. The engine-room doors were not water-tight and the water was coming down all the time. Before witness left the engine-room he was not sure whether he stopped the port engine. He did not handle the engine at all; he gave orders for it to be stopped. After the captain rang "finished with the engines" witness went to the engine-room and told all the men to get on deck, and he went himself. The port engine was then stopped. The pressure at the time in the boilers was 130—the usually carried 150 lbs. It did not occur to witness to blow off the steam in the boilers before finally leaving the engine-room. When witness told the captain made no remark, but walked to the telegraph and rang "finished with the engines." He did not know whether the hatches were battened down. The only way he could think of for the water to have got in was that something must have gone wrong with the ports. He did not know how the ports were secured. If the vessel was on an even keel they could open the scuppers and let the water out. The scuppers were blocked up before leaving port.

To Captain Davison, s.s. *Tartar*, witness said that the engines were altered between half-

past four and five o'clock by orders from the bridge. He could not say whether the holds were full of cargo when they left Hongkong. The scuppers were three or four feet above the water. There were no sails up, and witness could not say whether there were any on board. They were trying to get an evening up forward. He did not think the boat was meant to carry sails. Witness did not hear of any oil being used. He did not know whether there was any on board.

Kam Ng Lee, called, said he was the carpenter of the s.s. *Chukong*. It was his duty to see that the ports and hatches were closed and secured before the ship proceeded to sea. There were two ports on each side. They were secured by iron covers, held by iron bars, which were held by screws. He also plugged up the scuppers. He could not close the ports properly; none of them were properly closed. The chief officer saw them all. When the ship was rolling about witness did not see any water come in through any of those ports; the water came in through the ash-shoots; witness saw it. There were no covers for those ash-shoots, at least he could not find any. It was not his duty to cover them. Witness did not know what cargo was on board, nor where it was stowed. He did not use any tallow or white lead to try and make the ports fit properly. He had been a carpenter at sea for about eight months; before that he worked as a carpenter ashore.

The inquiry was proceeding when our representative left the Court.

TRAGIC DEATH IN HONGKONG.

POLICEMAN'S FATAL FALL.

Little did theatre-goers on Saturday night think, when the performance had concluded and they were returning home, that a tragedy had occurred before they were very far away from the theatre, as the result of which a European policeman had lost his life. It appears that a few minutes after the conclusion of the performance, Police Constable A. R. Owen-Williams was passing along the corridor of the theatre on his way to the lavatory, when suddenly he stumbled over some pieces of timber that were in his way. He lost his balance, careered against an open window facing Wardley Street, and fell to the ground, about 14 feet below. When he was picked up it was found that his skull was fractured and he expired shortly afterwards. It is stated that the accident was witnessed by an Indian policeman, who immediately summoned assistance, and a man from the Royal Naval Hospital ran to the police station. An ambulance was called, and the unfortunate man was removed to the hospital, but he died on the way, never having regained consciousness. Deceased, who was about 32 years of age, was a Welshman, and he had been about nine years in the Colony. For of which he served in the local police force; having left the Royal Welsh Fusiliers, in which he was a corporal, in order to join the constabulary. He was a most popular officer in the force, well liked by all, and was well known in the Colony. Deceased, it may be remembered, was the first European to be knocked down by an electric tramcar in Hongkong. He was riding a bicycle near Wellington Barracks, when his machine skidded along the tram rails, and he was thrown, as which was coming up behind him could not be pulled up in time, with the result that he was picked up by the life-guard, and sustained some nasty injuries, which necessitated his being kept in hospital for several days. The funeral took place at Happy Valley this afternoon and was well attended, both by his *confidants* in the force and several civilians.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

A RECORD MEETING.

Splendid weather, though a trifle warm, ushered in the second meeting of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club on Saturday afternoon at Happy Valley. The attendance was remarkably good, the turf was very fast, and the times accomplished by the different ponies was the best attained at any single gymkhana meeting held in the Colony. His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan and party arrived at his stand just before the first race had commenced, while the fine band of the West Kent Regiment gave a good account of itself in playing appropriate selections. The pari-mutuel did a good trade, but the day's work, but in the instance, were small, owing, probably, to the fact that the weather was too hot for the day. The biggest dividend paid during the afternoon, however, was \$26.70. The race—the Gymkhana Challenge—was a surprise to many, for Blue Nile came in gamely with Mr. G. C. Master in the saddle. The description of the various races is appended:—

1.—3.30 P.M.—FIVE FURLONGS FLAT RACE.—For Hongkong Subscription Griffins of any Season. Eight furlongs as per scale. Winners of an open race and winners at last Gymkhana barred. Winners of an official race to carry 7 lb. extra; of two or more official races to carry 10 lb. extra. "Off-day" winners to carry 3 lb. extra. Unplaced ponies in an official race allowed 5 lb. Non-winning jockeys allowed 5 lb. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: A Cup presented by J. W. M. Smith, Esq., and 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

Mr. W. G. Clarke's Pathan, 1st tolls 5 lbs allowance (Owner) 1
Mr. Otter's Red Herring, 1st tolls 5 lbs allowance (Mr. Gresson) 2
Mr. A. C. Hynes' ngot, 1st tolls 5 lbs allowance (Mr. Hickman) 3
Mr. Hicklof's Roscommon, 1st tolls 5 lbs allowance (Mr. Hickman) 4
Dr. J. W. Noble's Frechdachs, 1st tolls 5 lbs allowance (Mr. Mackie) 5

Out of seven entries, a field of five was saddled up for the five furlongs race. The first saddling bell rang punctually at three o'clock and at 3.35 the ponies were on their way to the post. The winner, Pathan, had a good many followers, as did Frechdachs and Roscommon, the field got away to a good start, and Clarke on Pathan, immediately went to the front, and lead and maintained this position to the finish, winning very easily, with pounds up his sleeves. Red Herring and ngot filled second and third places, respectively. But the race on the whole was simply a runaway race, there being only one pony in it. Time: 1 min. 18 3/4 sec. Dividend: \$9.10.

2.—4 P.M.—POLO PONY RACE.—Open to all bona fide Polo Ponies, to be passed as such by the Committee of the Club. Catch Weights. Competitors to start mounted and gallop round yards to a post, dismount, run 50 yards leading mount to another post, mount and gallop in. Entrance fee \$5. 1st Prize: A Cup presented by Dr. J. W. Noble, and 2nd Prize: \$25.

Mr. W. A. Cruickshank 1
Mr. G. G. Mackie 2
Captain Caslerly 3
There were only three entries for this event, which was won by Mr. Cruickshank.
3.—4.30 P.M.—GYMKHANA CHALLENGE CUP.—Distance One Mile.—Value to be declared when Cup is purchased. For all China Ponies. Catch Weights at 10 st. 6 lb. Winners of an open race or open Griffin race 5 lb. extra. Non-winning Subscription Griffins allowed 5 lb. Non-winning jockeys allowed

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Mr. S. P. C's Blue Nile, 1st tolls 2 lb. over-weight (Mr. Master) 1
Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton's Kingston, 1st tolls (Owner) 2
Mr. G. C. Moxon's Speculation, 1st tolls (Mr. Lupton) 3
Father O'Flynn's Donnybrook, 1st tolls 5 lb. allowed (Mr. Gresson) 4
Mr. C. G. Mackie's Quach, 1st tolls (Owner) 5

This proved to be the most interesting race of the meeting, and was run in record time for gymkhanas. Several ponies were thought to have a good chance, notably The Quach, who won it at the last meeting, Speculation and Exchange King. At the last moment Mr. G. C. Master, was offered and accepted the mount on Blue Nile, and although people did not tumble over themselves to back him, he was thought to have a chance. After three false starts, the ponies were got well away, Speculation taking the lead, with Blue Nile and Exchange King following, while The Quach was seen not to be galloping in his old style. Turning into the straight for home excitement ran high when it was seen that Speculation, Kingston and Blue Nile were bunched. Fifty yards from the judge's box, Kingston came with a rush under the whip, but ran very wide and thereby lost ground. Blue Nile, under great persuasion from his jockey, who rode a desperate finish, won by a neck from Kingston, with Speculation very close behind.

Time: 2 min. 7 1/2. Dividend: \$26.70.

4.—5 P.M.—"BRAN PIE RACE." LADIES' NOMINATION.—Ladies will line up in front of Judge's box, gentlemen with ponies (dismounted) also lined up ten paces distant. On the word "go" ladies will run to the Bran Pies and search for roses hidden therein (there will be several Bran Pies but only one will contain roses). On finding a rosette lady will run back to her partner and tie the rosette on his pony's bridle on the near side, the gentlemen will then mount and ride to a point where a corresponding coloured rosette will be found suspended across the Race Course. He must secure this corresponding rosette, tie it on his pony's bridle on off side and return to starting post. First home with two corresponding rosettes properly tied to bridle to win. Entrance fee \$3. 1st and 2nd Prizes presented by the Club.

Mr. Master, nominated by Miss Master... 1
Mr. Mackie, nominated by Mrs. Brutton... 2
Mr. Ferguson, nominated by Mrs. Mowatt... 3
5.—5.30 P.M.—HURDLE RACE.—For China Ponies. Distance about One Mile and a quarter. Catch Weights 10 st. 8 lb. Winner of Hurdle Race at First Gymkhana to carry 5 lb. extra. Entrance fee \$2. 1st Prize: A Cup presented by Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickinson, and 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

Only three ponies turned out for this event, which, by the way, had better be eliminated from future programmes, as it produces very poor fields and very little excitement. The Quach, Ben Royal, and Glenburn came out for this race. At the fall of the flag, Glenburn rushed to the front, and took a very long lead from The Quach, Ben Royal having reused. This latter pony ultimately got over, but at the second hurdle, ran out and jumped the rails on to the outside course and consequently was out of the running. At the black rock The Quach closed on Glenburn, and running on at a faster pace won in a canter.

6.—6 P.M.—ONE MILE AND A QUARTER FLAT RACE.—HANDICAP.—For All China Ponies. Non-winning jockeys allowed 5 lb. Entrance fee \$3. 1st Prize: A Cup presented by Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickinson, and 2nd Prize: \$25. (Entrance fees to go to winner.)

The mile and a quarter handicap was estimated to produce a very representative race. Eight ponies sallied forth and Sandial, Master up, was greatly favored by his backers. However, Pathan was in galloping mood and was not to be denied. He simply cut his field down from the fall of the flag, winning in the very excellent time of 2.42 1/2, with Preston second and Maori King third, both beaten off, thereby proving himself to be one of the best ponies on the course.

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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 14th at 12.5 p. The barometer has fallen over E. Japan, owing to the depression which is passing to the Pacific to the North of Japan. Pressure is inclined to gave way again over China. Gradients are gentle, and light E. and SE. winds are indicated in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Light SE. winds; fair.

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ATTEMPTED GAOL-BREAKING
AT SHANGHAI.

ORGANISED RISING OF PRISONERS.

WARDERS SERIOUSLY INJURED.

THE DEATH OF YAH MAO-MAO.

We take the following from the N.C.D. News of 5th inst.:-

A most determined attempt to escape from prison was made by the Chinese convicts at the Ward Road gaol yesterday afternoon and as a result two Chinese were shot dead, and one other died subsequently from his wounds, and several persons were more or less seriously injured.

Between two and three o'clock an organised attempt to escape was made by a gang of the prisoners. By some means they obtained the sword of an Indian warder and then tried to break out. The alarm was given immediately, and a severe tussle ensued, in which a notorious criminal, an associate of Vah Ka-der, and another prisoner were shot dead and several others were injured. The warders had a pretty stiff time in defending themselves. The head gaoler, Mr. W. D. Blennerhassett, received a sword cut over the right side of his head, and another sword cut on his left leg between the thigh and knee, and had to be removed to the Victoria Nursing Home, while two Indian warders were badly injured and had to be sent to hospital.

The attempt to escape was, fortunately, prevented by the brave stand of the gaolers and warders, who suppressed the outbreak with commendable promptitude, although they suffered in so doing.

A DETAILED ACCOUNT.

There can be no doubt that the outbreak at the Municipal Gaol, Ward Road, yesterday afternoon, was a premeditated one, notwithstanding the report that the man who first attacked the Indian warder did so because the latter had kept a sharp eye upon him when he wished to shirk his work. As a matter of fact, the warder who was first attacked was not the one who usually has charge of this gang of convicts. As the result of the fullest inquiries, we are enabled to place the following account, obtained from several sources, before our readers.

At the outside would the first that was heard of the affair was at 2:50 p.m. when a Chinese employed in the office at the Ward Road Gaol telephoned to the Central Police Station for immediate assistance. When asked where the foreign staff of the Gaol were, the reply was received that they were all fighting with the prisoners, who had broken out. The elaborate system of communication from the Central to all foreign police who could be communicated with or seen on the roads were informed of the occurrence and ordered to proceed without delay to the Gaol. Carriages were commandeered on every side and in about ten minutes from the receipt of the message from the Gaol quite a large force of police were on their way to the scene of the fracas. Fortunately, on the arrival of the majority, the worst was over.

Meanwhile what happened at the Gaol was as follows:-Some twelve to fifteen convicts were at work making boots in a tailor's shop and included in the gang was Vah Mao-mao, the associate and brother of the notorious outlaw Vah Ka-der. These men were working under the surveillance of an Indian warder, who was armed as usual with a sword. Some time between 2 and 3 p.m., Vah Mao-mao, who was undergoing a twenty-years' sentence, suddenly sprang up, and with a shoemaker's knife in his hands leapt at the warder and cut him across the throat, inflicting a dangerous wound. Thereupon the other convicts rose up and seizing tools, attacked the warder. One of them drew the latter's sword and struck him with it. The Indian turned and fled down the steps to the lower shop, and in his flight (judging by the wounds on the back of his head) must have been struck with the sword two or three times. He got through the door to the shop underneath and it was immediately closed behind him by another warder. Led by Vah Mao-mao, the excited gang charged the door and with hammers soon removed the obstacle. They again attacked the warders and by this time several other Indians joined in the melee. The whistles of the warders gave the alarm, and the whole of the Gaol staff made for the scene, the Europeans armed with revolvers. The head gaoler, Mr. W. D. Blennerhassett, went round to the east side of the matting shop and there he was immediately attacked by a gang of men who had presumably been engaged in making coir mats. By this time the convicts, howling and yelling, were rushing about the compound with all kinds of working tools in their hands, and pieces of wood, including the bamboo poles used for beating the matting. The head gaoler was being pressed hard when an Indian warder rushed to his assistance and in warding off a blow from a hammer, which was directed at the head of Mr. Blennerhassett, had his sword (which is by no means a plaything) broken off six inches from the hilt. It was Vah Mao-mao who delivered this blow, but it seems to have been his last crime, for in the general fight he was shot dead about this time.

The assistant gaoler, Mr. Weatherhead, seeing how serious matters were becoming, immediately opened the arms and ammunition store, and was for some time engaged serving out carbines and ammunition to the warders. From all appearances, those in charge of the Gaol must have thought that the whole of the convicts who were on the premises were participating in the attempt to rid themselves of their keepers. Mr. Blennerhassett by this time had received a staggering blow on the right side of the head, which laid it bare to the bone, and also a slash with some sharp instrument just below the left thigh. Owing to the bravery of the Indian staff, he was enabled to retreat to one of the offices in a fainting condition. He recovered quickly and returned to the compound. While one lot of convicts were attacking the gaoler and Mr. Weatherhead, a

separate gang attacked the warder in charge of the ironworks.

The general encounter seems to have taken place in the compound, as when the alarm was given Mr. Weatherhead rushed out to the matting shop door, where he was met by a prisoner with the sword of the warder who had been first attacked, and others with stone-masons' hammers. The Indians were defending the gate when the Europeans ran there to make sure that no-one could escape. The police at Ward Road Station must have heard the reports of fire-arms before they were communicated with, and the small staff of this station were smartly upon the scene of the affray. The general fracas lasted nearly half-an-hour and one man, besides Vah Mao-mao, was shot dead on the spot and several others wounded, three so badly that it is reported that amputation of limbs may be necessary.

With the assistance of the Police, the foreign gaolers were able to get the various gangs of convicts back into their cells. The main fighting undoubtedly took place round the matting shop in the compound, but the difficulty of the station can be understood when we state that it was impossible for the defenders to concentrate their efforts, as all the convicts seemed to be trying to escape, and were so rushing about that some of the defenders were cut off in their endeavours to prevent this. There is one redeeming feature about the whole affair and that it was proved beyond all question that the Indians were brave and loyal. At great risk to themselves, they not only fought to prevent escape, but it is to be noted that they were the first to go to the aid of the Europeans, and that they were the first to be injured. The Europeans, too, bore themselves excellently; besides the head gaoler the only other one badly injured was Mr. Anderson, who had his left shoulder slashed about with a knife. So far as we can ascertain besides the men mentioned the other Europeans on duty were Mr. Sims, Mr. H. J. O'Connell, and Mr. "Baiter." It was taken, it was found that one other Chinese besides Vah Mao-mao was dead. A third was dying, three were so seriously injured that they had to be removed to St. Luke's Hospital after Dr. Marsh had done what he could for them, while four other prisoners needed assistance, and several had scratches, bruises, etc. The head gaoler was removed to the Victoria Nursing Home on duty was in a precarious condition, was sent to hospital, but it was not expected that he could live. A second Indian was very seriously hurt, and most of the others bore some marks of the fray. About 6 p.m. the third convict succumbed.

At the time of the outbreak there were over ninety convicts out at work on the roads in charge of warders, and the time of the attempt to break out was well chosen.

All eyes were centred outside the gaol during the trouble but the strong voice of police kept them back. Last night the streets adjacent to Ward Road were patrolled by large numbers of police and the whole district seemed "alive" with guardians of the peace.

Shipping.

Arrivals.

Wingsang, Br. s.s., 1517, H. Walker, 11th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Loyal, Ger. s.s., 1236, F. Natzke, 11th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—S. W. & Co. Carl Diederichsen, Ger. s.s., 774, H. Schlackner, 12th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Heimdall, Nor. s.s., 762, T. Johnson, 12th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Huihwa and Huihwa 9th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Haitan, Br. s.s., 1183, J. S. Roach, 12th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Fochow 10th May, Amoy 11th, and Swatow 12th, Gen.—D. L. & Co. Rajah, Ger. s.s., 1450, C. Wolff, 11th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—D. L. & Co. Bangkok 6th May, Rice, Meal and Timber.—Toon Fat Hong. Jiria, Ger. s.s., 3500, Girstenbrun, 13th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Hankow 8th May, Se. samat, H. A. L. Juva, Aust. s.s., 2598, L. Klepac, 13th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—D. L. & Co. Luchinszu 7th May, Coals.—D. L. & Co. Standard, Nor. s.s., 894, H. N. Bull, 13th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. May—Bangkok 6th May, Rice.—A. M. & Co. Meefoo, Ch. s.s., 1339, A. Crawford, 13th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co. Haitan, Br. s.s., 377, L. Andersen, 13th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Huihwa 12th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Polynesia, Br. s.s., 658, Broc, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Yokohama 5th May, Mails and Gen.—M. M. Salazie, Br. s.s., 2553, A. Ailland, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co. Marseilles 15th April, and Saigon 17th May, Mails and Gen.—M. M. Catherine Apert, Br. s.s., 1730, A. Stewart, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—D. S. & Co. Ld. Singapore 8th May, Gen.—D. S. & Co. Ld. Nikko Maru, Jap. s.s., 3134, E. W. Haswell, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—N. Y. K. Silvia, Ger. s.s., 1212, F. Jaeger, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—H. A. L. Apenrade, Ger. s.s., 611, Gaudard, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—J. & Co. Hongkong, Fr. s.s., 742, G. Suzoni, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—J. & Co. Haiphong and Hoihow 13th May, Wood and Oil—A. R. M. Holstein, Ger. s.s., 900, S. Niejahr, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—J. & Co. Yachow via Hoihow 11th May, Gen.—J. & Co. Taitan, Br. s.s., 1121, I. T. Laing, 14th May, 1906, 7th May, Gen.—B. & Co. Kohsichang 7th May, Rice.—B. & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Meefoo, for Canton.
Sandakan, for Bangkok.
Jiria, for Singapore.
Derwent, for Saigon.
Silvia, for Singapore.
Loong Tung, for Shanghai.
Salazie, for Shanghai.
Carl Diederichsen, for Hoihow.
Polynesia, for Saigon.
Hoihow, for Kwong-chow-wan.

Departures.

May 13.
Sandakan, for Bangkok.
Clara Jahan, for Bangkok.
Clara Jahan, for Bangkok.
Dagel Maru, for Swatow.
Huihwa, for Hongay.
Eskdale, for Calcutta.
Shansi, for Canton.
May 14.
Daphne, for Nagasaki.
Huihwa, for Chefoo.
Derwent, for Saigon.
Loong Tung, for Canton.
Katheryn, for Haiphong.
Wakao Maru, for Singapore.
Andalusia, for Shanghai.

Passengers arrived.

Per Rajah, from Bangkok—Mrs. Hosenboly.
Per Hongkong, from Haiphong, &c.—Mr. Catterlin, and Mr. and Mrs. Perindoux.
Per Catherine Apert, from Calcutta, &c.—Mr. Blair, Mrs. Lee Sian Whatt and child, 418 Chinese, and 1 Japanese.

Per Haitan, from Coast Ports—Right-Rev. Bishop of Victoria, Mrs. Von Pustau, child and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Leguborg and child, Messrs. Thomas Mickle, Wandies, Windsor, Gauch, Brugg, Marc Dandolo, and 193 Chinese.

Per Polynesia, for Marseilles from Yokohama—Count Verdonck, Messrs. Tichand Jevon, Mr. and Mrs. Horiguchi and daughter, Mrs. Lala Gaur, Mr. and Mrs. Sibdon and 2 infants, Messrs. Raber, Hache, Legrand, Brunet, L. Bad and Bernart, From Kobe—Mr. G. Dernelle. From Shanghai—Mr. Pasque, Mrs. Reich and 2 infants, Messrs. Z. Mazoli, Fiala and Dubail, Capt. Sheldrucker, Mrs. Groves, Messrs. Fitz Henri, Kahn, Quie, Pampo, R. P. Giron, H. M. Macelmer and L. V. Ghambudi, Mr. and Mrs. Marie and 2 infants, 16 French sailors, Messrs. Rous, Leguenn, Leguenn, Leguenn, Rivkin, Hugonnet and Rigoni. For Port Said from Kobe—Messrs. Karponich and Shupsky. For Colombo from Yokohama—Mrs. Black, Miss Terry and Mr. L. George. From Shanghai—Mr. Hargreaves. For Singapore—25 Japanese and 4 Chinese. For Saigon—2 Chinese. For Hongkong from Yokohama—Mr. D. R. Moss, Mrs. Piquit, Mrs. Che Fook Wu and 1 infant and Chinese. For Shanghai—Major Parker, Messrs. W. J. Casson, C. Hedyland, A. J. Williams, and Nuybbon, Mrs. Getronella, Dr. F. Muller, Messrs. Leiser, Rutledge, D. McDonald and Quintas, and Mrs. A. Brown.

Per Salazie, for Hongkong from Marseilles—Mr. G. Schmann. From Colombo—Messrs. Humman, Fong Roune and Ha Vang. From Saigon—Messrs. Rous and Audley, Major H. E. Kullif, Messrs. Hoffmann, T. B. Hoffmann and Muney. From Saigon—Mr. Colas and 130 Chinese. For Shanghai from Marseilles—Messrs. Y. Remand, Patuel, Eckenfeldt, T. Houssa, Guerin Dupont, Blondeau and Nova, Mr. and Mrs. S. Brising, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Lesoy, Messrs. F. B. Richie, Pezzini, and Boushish. From Colombo—Mr. Cockley. From Singapore—Messrs. L. Welle, Darrosey, Ponconanz, J. T. Mullett and Kauffmann. From Saigon—Mr. Demis, Messrs. Euckenoff and Broukakis. For Kobe from Singapore—Mr. K. Sen and 9 Japanese. For Yokohama—Mrs. Lamargotte. From Colombo—Mr. Larangany, Lieut. Gilles, Lieut. Dodd and Lieut. Uke. From Singapore—Messrs. Qual Bu Chuan, Yamataki, J. Filbert, K. Rani and Knottin. From Saigon—Mr. Hermanovitz.

Shipping Report.
Str. Nitro from Shanghai—Fog on the night of 11th, 12th and 13th inst, fine and clear last night.

Str. Haitan from Coast Ports—Fochow to Swatow light W. winds, smooth sea, and clear, thence to port light W. winds, smooth sea, and fog.

Vessels in Port.

Str. Nitro, Br. s.s., 267, C. Moore, 6th May, 1906, 10th May, Gen.—Admiralty.
Atlantic, Am. s.s., 651, J. Garcia, 6th May, 1906, 10th May, Gen.—Basa.
Bourbon, Fr. s.s., 607, Le Bail, 10th May, 1906, 10th May, Gen.—Man Fat.
Siagon 6th May, Gen.—Man Fat.
Chunyang, Br. s.s., 1417, Cox, 10th May, 1906, 10th May, Gen.—Man Fat.
Samarang 30th May, Sugar—J. M. & Co.
Emma Lyken, Ger. s.s., 1159, G. Cornard, 4th May, 1906, 30th April, Rice and Gen.—A. T. & Co.
Eskdale, Br. s.s., 1026, G. W. Duff, 8th May, 1906, 4th May, Gen.—A. M. Esabohy.
Falk, Nor. s.s., 1380, G. M. Gunderen, 3rd May, 1906, 28th April, Timber.—S. W. & Co.
Fiume, Ger. s.s., 381, R. Wegner, 12th May, 1906, 10th May, Gen.—S. W. & Co.
Canton 10th May, Gen.—S. W. & Co.
Fulham, Br. s.s., 2766, H. Gow, 10th May, 1906, 4th May, Gen.—D. & Co. Ld.
Hue, Fr. s.s., 72, Gaudard, 7th May, 1906, 10th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co.
Haiphong and Hoihow 6th May, Gen.—A. M. & Co.
Laisang, Br. s.s., 3460, P. M. B. Lake, 9th May, 1906, 24th April, Penang and Singapore 3rd May, Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Maidum Maru, Jap. s.s., 677, J. A. Merila, 12th May, 1906, 9th May, Gen.—O. S. K.
Mausang, Br. s.s., 1644, R. Houghton, 8th May, 1906, 3rd May, Timber and Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Saint Bride, Br. s.s., 2514, W. Nicoll, 20th April, 1906, Cardiff 8th May, Coal—Government.
Shahjehan, Br. s.s., 1078, J. R. Scott, 8th May, 1906, 3rd May, Rice—Wo Fat Sing.
Siberia, Am. s.s., 5655, A. Zeeder, 7th May, 1906, 3rd May, and Yokohama 26th, Mails and Gen.—P. M. S. S. Co.
Sungking, Br. s.s., 987, G. H. Pennefather, 23rd April, 1906, 20th April, Sugar.—B. & Co.
Taitu, Ger. s.s., 1065, C. Ueberfeldt, 12th April, 1906, Swatow 11th April, Ballast.—E. A. T. Co.
Taming, Br. s.s., 1350, A. W. Outerbridge, 11th May, 1906, Manila 8th May, Sugar and Hemp.—B. & Co.
Tartar, Br. s.s., 2768, W. Davison, R.N.R., 4th May, 1906, Vancou 3rd April, and Shanghai 20th, Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
Zoroaster, Br. s.s., 2783, J. Evan, 7th May, 1906, Christmas Island 28th April, Gen.—M. B. K.

Steamers Expected.

Vessel	From	Agents	Date
Peshawar	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	May 15
Awa Maru	Shanghai	T. K. K.	May 15
Yachow Maru	Yachow	N. Y. K.	May 15
Oceanic	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	May 15
Arabia	Manila	P. & O. Co.	May 16
Acilia	Singapore	H. A. L.	May 16
Benlomond	Singapore	G. L. & Co.	May 16
Yangtze	Japan	P. & O. Co.	May 19
Tremont	Manila	D. & Co.	May 19
Namang	Singapore	J. M. & Co.	May 21
Hakata Maru	Japan	N. Y. K.	May 21
Emp. of China	Japan	C. P. R. Co.	May 22
Tjiuwong	Kobe	J. C. L.	May 22
Preussen	Colombo	M. & Co.	May 23
Colombo Maru	Singapore	N. Y. K.	May 23
Aragonia	Astoria	P. & O. Co.	May 27
Mongolia	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	May 30
China	San Francisco	P. M. Co.	May 30
Nippon Maru	San Francisco	N. Y. K.	June 7

DOCK RETURNS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCKS.
U.S.S. Barry at Kowloon Dock.
U.S.S. Bainbridge " " " " " "
Braed " " " " " "
Alia " " " " " "
Loong Tung " " " " " "
Sungking " " " " " "
Renome " " " " " "
Hud " " " " " "
Amiral de Beaumont " " " " " "
Haiphong " " " " " "
Sandakan " " " " " "
Sanui " " " " " "

SHANGHAI.

4th inst.
Sishan International Dock.
Wai Yuen Old " "
Kiang Ping International " "
Two Lighters do " "
P. and O. Tender Gutlaff New " "
Towboat Neptune do " "

Ships Passed the Canal.

3rd April—Hemohr, Laos, Palawan, Prince Heinrich, St. Bede. 7th April—Nippon, Calcutta, Dimalat, Gaskway, Prinzess Alice. 11th April—Andalusia, Aubia, Sambla, St. George. 17th April—Achilles, Benlarig, Benlomond, Glauca, Hyson, Oceanic, Roon, Voronei, Schuykitt, Nithsdale, Abertow, Glenstrae, St. Eobert, Tinkow. 21st April—Bayern, Peshawar, Khipes, Salala, Kiev, Cliala, Hallopello, Kaderen. 25th April—Glenk, Kish. 28th April—Prinzess Alice, Long, Formosa, Idomeneu, Tonkin. 1st May—Andalusia, Valma, Pelus, Peru, Preussen, Saxonia, Telemachus, Benavon. 5th May—Ajax, Benavon, Oceanic, Verona, Silista, (Ger.) Prinz Regent Luitpold, Iyo Maru, Rhenania. 8th May—Radnorshire, Indrani, Den of Maine, Naba, Swanley. 12th May—Armand Beke, China, Japan, Java.

Arrivals at Home—3rd April—Bechwana, Anamor, Bragaviva, Zlatan, Indrapura. 7th April—Falkland, Towana. 11th April—Pink Star, Kousan, St. Oppach, Benary. 14th April—Sumatra. 17th April—Prinzess Alice, Spiza, St. Bede. 21st April—Coulton, Benlarig, Oceanic. 25th April—Indramaya. 28th April—Achilles, Sambla. 28th April—Nubla. 1st May—Glenstrae, St. George. 5th May—Australia, Baralong, Bayern. 8th May—Radnor. 12th May—Pelus.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:-

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per Haitan, 15th May, 9 a.m.
Rangoon, Calcutta, India, via Tuticorin—Per Polynesia, 15th May, 11 a.m.
Macao—Per Hongkong, 15th May, 1.15 p.m.
Cebu and Iloilo—Per Sungking, 15th May, 3 p.m.
Singapore—Per Taming, 15th May, 3 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Asia Maru, 15th May, 5 p.m.
Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama—Per Nikko Maru, 16th May, 11 a.m.
Macao—Per Hongkong, 16th May, 1.15 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Laisang, 16th May, 2 p.m.
Macao—Per Hongkong, 17th May, 1.15 p.m.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Siberia, 18th May, 1 a.m.
Macao—Per Hongkong, 18th May, 1.15 p.m.
Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Yachow Maru, 18th May, 3 p.m.
Manila—Per Loongtung, 18th May, 3 p.m.
Europe—Per Zafiro, 19th May, 10 a.m.
Europe, India, via Tuticorin—Per Delhi, 19th May, 11 a.m.
Macao—Per Hongkong, 19th May, 1.15 p.m.
Singapore, and Sourabaya—Per Chungking, 19th May, 2 p.m.
Shanghai—Per Shanti, 19th May, 3 p.m.
Kudat and Sandakan—Per Maunang, 19th May, 5 p.m.
Macao—Per Hongkong, 21st May, 1.15 p.m.
Shanghai—Per Kiliokang, 21st May, 3 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta—Per Catherine Apert, 22nd May, 11 a.m.
Tientsin—Per Chingling, 22nd May, 3 p.m.
Europe, India, via Tuticorin—Per Prinz Heinrich, 23rd May, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, (B.C.)—Per Tartar, 23rd May, 11 a.m.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar—Per Tjiuwong, 24th May, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco—Per America Maru, 25th May, 11 a.m.
Macao, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Tacoma, Wash.—Per Tremont, 26th May, 11 a.m.
Manila—Per Rudi, 26th May, 11 a.m.
Manila, Simponshafen, Fr. Wilhelmshafen, Herbersthohe, Matupi, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne—Per Willehad, 29th May, 10 a.m.
Europe, India, via Tuticorin—Per Caledonia, 29th May, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, Moji, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C. and Seattle, Wash.—Per Kaga Maru, 29th May, 3 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo—Per Sanuki Maru, 29th May, 5 p.m.
Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cocktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Tynan, 30th May, 3 p.m.
Manila, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cocktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth—Per Eastern, 2nd June, 11 a.m.
Europe, India, via Tuticorin—Per Salazie, 12th June, 11 a.m.

It is hereby notified that on and from the 6th inst., the rate of postage on letters from Hongkong and British Postal Agencies in China to Egypt and the Sudan was reduced to 4 cents for each half ounce or fraction thereof.

A Pillar Box has been placed at Pokfulam Police Station. It will be cleared daily at noon.

There will be delivery of letters at Pokfulam leaving the G. P. O. daily at 10.30 a.m.

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NAME	CLASS	TONS	GUNS	I.H.P.	CAPTAIN	LAST REPORTED AT
Commodore E. La T. Leatham	Commander	1,700	4	3,000	Shanghai	
Captain C. L. Vaughan-Lee	Lieut.	4,350	10	7,000	Shanghai	
Lieut. Commander E. G. W. Davidson	Lieut.	710	6	900	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander W. B. Bamber	Lieut.	710	6	900	Yangtze	
Commander H. du C. Loard	Commander	1,070	6	1,400	Yangtze	
Commander H. D. Wilkin, D.S.O.	Commander	300	—	300	Hongkong	
Captain E. W. Savory	Captain	1,070	6	1,400	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander Hughes	Lieut.	11,000	16	16,500	Hongkong	
Captain H. Grant-Dutton	Captain	306	6	3,700	Hongkong	
Lieut. Commander H. B. Cox	Lieut.	4,350	10	7,000	Shanghai	
Lieut. Commander R. Henniker-Heaton	Lieut.	275	6	4,000	Shanghai	
Lieut. Commander W. H. Drwall	Lieut.	280	6	3,900	Shanghai	
Captain S. V. V. de Horsey	Captain	9,800	14	22,000	Shanghai	
Captain C. F. Thurbay	Captain	14,100	18	30,000	Shanghai	
Lieut. Commander E. V. F. R. Dugmore	Lieut.	85	4	1,200	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander F. B. Noble	Lieut.	180	2	620	West River	
Lieut. Commander J. Kiddle	Lieut.	350	6	6,300	Shanghai	
Commander C. E. Munn	Commander	85	2	240	West River	
Lieut. Commander Robert E. Vaughan	Lieut.	85	2	240	West River	
Lieut. Commander H. T. Atlay	Lieut.	250	6	6,500	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander J. T. S. Lyne	Lieut.	4,650	6	800	Hongkong	
Commodore A. T. Williams	Commodore	180	2	800	Hongkong	
Lieut. Commander R. E. Secatan	Lieut.	710	6	900	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander R. M. R. West	Lieut.	350	6	6,500	Singapore	
Commander R. W. Gibson	Commander	600	4	450	Shanghai	
Lieut. Commander G. E. L. Thomas	Lieut.	195	2	800	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander G. B. Spicer-Simson	Lieut.	150	2	550	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander G. J. Todd	Lieut.	150	2	550	Yangtze	
Lieut. Commander Jno. F. Knox	Lieut.	150	2	550	Yangtze	

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The following may now be obtained at the General Post Office counter:-
Postal Guides, each 30 cents.
Parcel Post Tariff, each 20 " "

From and after the 1st January, 1906, the rate for Postcards from Australia to Hongkong and British Postal Agencies in China is one penny instead of one penny and half penny.

Mails for Canton, Samshui, Wuchow and Macao will be closed on week days at 7.30 every morning. On Sundays the mail for Macao will be closed at 8 a.m., and that for Canton at 9 a.m.

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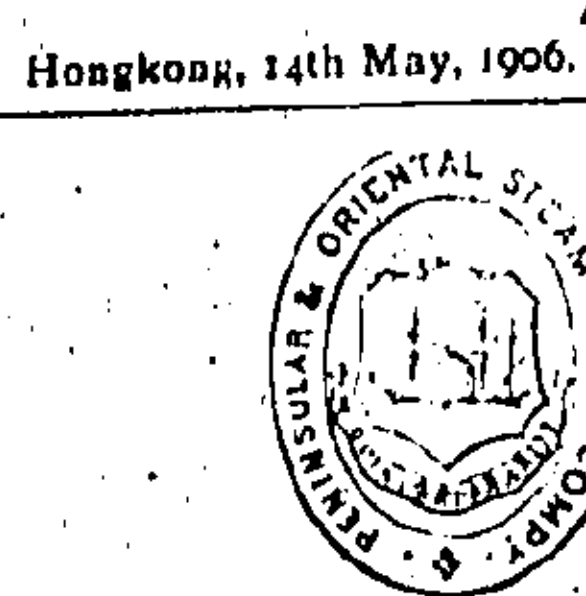
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Next sailings will be as follows:—
S.S. CALEDONNIEN 29th May.
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Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Persia, due in London on the 1st July, 1906.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 8th May, 1906.

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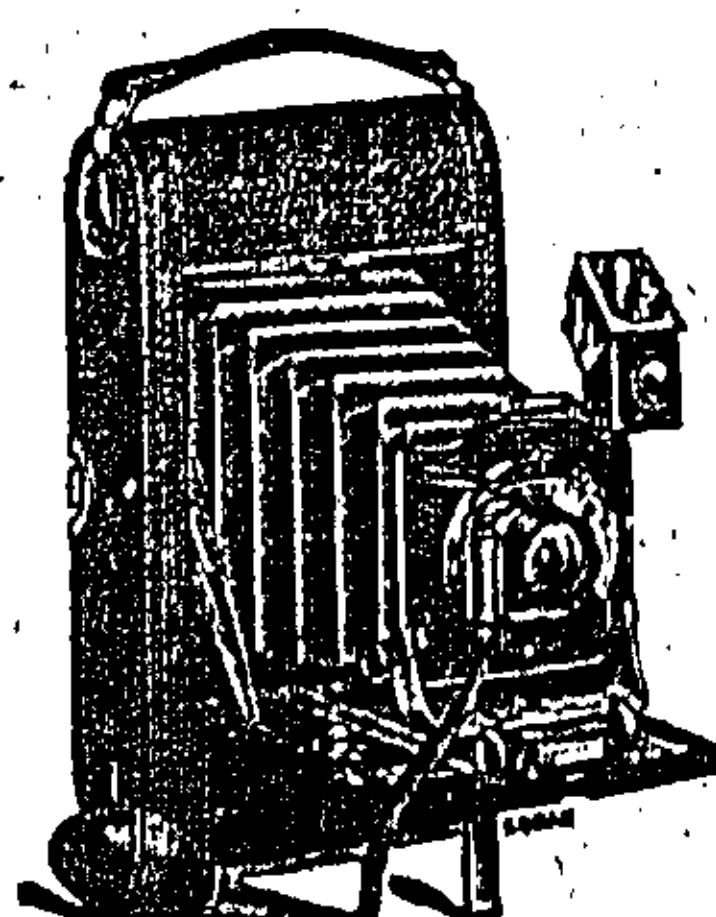
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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT. RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT.	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE RETURN AT PRESENT QUOTATION.	CLOSING QUOTATION.	
BANKS.									
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	20,000	\$125	\$125	{ \$1,000,000 \$500,000 \$500,000	\$1,699,777	{ \$1 15/- div. and \$1 bonus @ ex. 2/9/16 = \$26.87 for 2nd half-year 1905	5 %	{ \$850 London 89 1/2	
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£5	{ £12,735 £150,000	\$74,099	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	...	\$38	
MARINE INSURANCES.									
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,600,000 \$147,895	\$211,540	\$20 for 1904	5 1/2 %	\$355 buyers	
North China Insurance Company, Limited	1,000	£15	£5	{ £1,000,000 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 50,000	Tls. 302,053	Interim div. of 7/6 on account 1905	5 1/2 %	Tls. 87, ex div.	
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$100	{ \$2,000,000 \$40,000 \$311,131 \$153,614 \$59,279 \$800,000 \$61,278 \$15,527	\$2,742.71	Interim div. of 1/30 for 1905	4 %	\$790	
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	8,000	\$100	\$60	{ \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$509,734	\$12 and \$3 special dividend for 1904	8 1/2 %	\$175	
FIRE INSURANCES.									
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	{ \$850,000 \$450,000 \$400,000	\$34,018	\$6 for 1904	7 %	186	
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	{ \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	\$421,618	\$25 for 1904	8 %	\$305	
SHIPPING.									
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$6,000 \$264,638	16,563	\$1 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$22 1/2	
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$88,911 \$250,000 \$600,000 \$154,331 \$120,000 \$24,150	\$21,420	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1905	8 1/2 %	\$40	
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	{ \$1,000,000 \$1,000,000	£4,435	\$1 for 2nd half-year making \$2 for 1905	8 %	\$25	
Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited	10,000	£10	£10	{ £3,999 Tls. 100,000 Tls. 50,000	Tls. 21,156	{ 12/- @ 1/10 = \$6.29 1/2 for 1904 Final Tls. 3 making Tls. 5 for 1905 Final Tls. 14 making Tls. 3 1/2 for 1905	7 % 8 % 7 1/2 %	{ \$91 Tls. 62 buyers Tls. 50 buyers	
Do. (Preference)	100,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ £4,000 £4,144	£107,815	1/- (Coupon No. 6) for 1905	4 1/2 %	26 1/2	
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	1,000,000	£1	£1	{ \$65,000 £24,257	\$929	{ \$1.80 for year ending 30.4.1905 \$0.90	{ 5 1/2 % 4 1/2 %	{ \$33 \$23	
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$5	{ Tls. 98,000 Tls. 350,479 Tls. 48,000 Tls. 81,200	Tls. 13,913	Final of Tls. 2 making Tls. 4 for 1905	10 %	Tls. 40 buyers	
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 100,000 \$850,000 \$450,000 \$86,129	£40,914	Final of \$15 making \$25 for 1905	13 %	\$172 sellers	
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	{ Tls. 100,000 Tls. 50	£132,588	\$3 for 1897	...	\$25	
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ Tls. 100,000	Tls. 3,723	Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.04	...	Tls. 90 sales	
Perak Sugar Cultivation Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 100,000	...	...	...	...	
MINING.									
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	{ £80,000 £26,911	£13,355	{ 1/- (No. 6) interim div. for 12 months ending 28.2.06	7 %	Tls. 10 buyers	
Central Consolidated Mining Company, Limited	100,000	G. \$10	G. \$10	{ none	G. \$90,050	Final of 50 cents making G. \$1 for 1905	7 %	G. \$14	
Laub Australian Gold Mining Company, Limited	50,000	£1	£1	{ £4,873	Dr. £8,745	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	...	\$3	
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.									
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$70,000	\$8,915	\$2 for 1905	9 %	\$22	
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	40,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000	\$20,040	Final of \$3 1/2 making \$6 1/2 for 1905	1 1/2 %	\$104	
Pen, Hong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	10,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$49,500	\$361,232	\$6 for second half-year making \$12 for 1905	7 1/2 %	\$164	
New Amoy Dock Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$18,000	\$2,221	\$1 for 1905	6 %	\$17 buyers	
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	15,200	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 1,000,000 Tls. 487,210	Tls. 34,924	Interim of Tls. 4 for year 1905/6	10 %	Tls. 119	
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Company, Limited	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 57,065	Tls. 57,665	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 14 for 1905	6 1/2 %	Tls. 225 ndm.	
Yangtze Wharf and Godown Company, Limited	2,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 30,000	Tls. 5,668	Tls. 18 for 1905	8 1/2 %	Tls. 220 buyers	
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.									
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none	none	First year	...	Tls. 100	
Asiatic Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	10,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$14,516	\$9,028	\$2 1/2 for year ending 30.6.1905	8 %	\$32 sellers	
Central Stores, Limited	6,000	\$15	\$15	{ none	\$4,719	\$2.40 on \$12 for 1905	13 1/2 %	\$18 sales	
Do. (new issue)	6,000	\$15	\$15	{ none	...	7 % on \$7 1/2 for 1905	...	\$15 1/2 buyers	
Do. (Founders)	123	\$15	\$15	{ \$648,975 \$24,071	1610	None	...	\$300 buyers	
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	{ \$24,071	...	\$5 for second half-year making \$10 for 1905	7 1/2 %	\$130 buyers	
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	\$100	{ \$250,000 Tls. 24,986	\$67,839	Final of \$3 1/2 making \$7 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$119 buyers	
Hotel des Colonies Company, Limited	9,000	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	{ Tls. 24,986	Tls. 7,202	Interim of Tls. 1 for 1905	14 %	Tls. 17	
Hotel Metropole Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	{ none	\$4,690	Final of \$6 making \$10	10 %	\$100	
Lumley's Estate & Finance Company, Limited	100,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$200,386 \$50,000	\$5,070	80 cents for 1905	7 %	\$11 1/2	
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	1,000	\$50	\$50	{ none	\$574	\$2 1/2 for 1905	6 1/2 %	\$39	
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	12,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 909,591 Tls. 170,000	Tls. 52,194	Final of Tls. 3 making Tls. 6 for 1905	5 %	Tls. 119 sales	
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	{ none	\$772	Final of \$1.90 making \$3.65 for 1905	7 %	\$53	
COTTON MILLS.									
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 45,939	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 8 for year ending 31.10.1905	11 1/2 %	Tls. 70 buyers	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$30,000	\$23,264	\$1 for the year ending 31.7.05	6 1/2 %	\$15 1/2	
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	{ Tls. 100,000	Tls. 18,718	3 % a/c 1898	...	Tls. 65 sellers	
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ none	Tls. 30,760	Tls. 8 for 1905	11 1/2 %	Tls. 70 sales	
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	{ Tls. 18,456	Tls. 35,986	Tls. 25 for 1905	7 1/2 %	Tls. 325 sales	
MISCELLANEOUS.									
Anglo-German Brewery Company, Limited	4,000	\$100	\$100	{ none	\$1,066	\$7 for 1905	7 %	\$100	
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	{ £314	\$770	1/3 per share for 1904	9 1/2 %	\$74 buyers	
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	{ \$9,000	\$1,097	\$3 for 1905	9 %	\$32	
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	{ none	\$1,810	\$1 for 1904	...	\$7 sales	
China Flour Mill Co., Limited	4,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 50,000	Tls. 189	Final of Tls. 5 making Tls. 10 for 1905	12 1/2 %	Tls. 80 sales	
China Light and Power Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	{ none	\$1,219	60 cents for year ending 28.2.06	6 1/2 %	\$104 buyers	
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	100,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$8,000	\$1,581	80 cents for 1905	9 %	\$9	
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	25,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	{ \$25,000	\$2,864	\$1.20 for year ending 31.7.1905	7 1/2 %	\$16	
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$10,000	\$52,291	\$2 dividend and 50 cents bonus for 1905	8 1/2 %	\$20	
Hall & Holtz, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	{ \$186,000	\$20,893	\$2 1/2 for year ending 28.2.06	11 %	\$22 1/2	
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	{ none	\$2,568	{ \$1.00 for 10 months ending 28.2.06 65 cents for 10 months ending 28.2.06	{ 7 1/2 % 6 1/2 %	{ \$16 ex div. \$235	
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Company, Ltd.	1,250	\$100	\$100	{ \$50,000	\$2,796	\$15 for year ending 30.11.1904	6 1/2 %	\$235	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	{ \$80,000	\$3,776	Final of \$15 making \$19 for 1905	8 %	\$240 buyers	
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$61,000	\$5,815	\$9 for 1905 on 5 shares	6 1/2 %	\$20	
Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$25,000	\$88	Final of 50 cents making \$1 for the year	11 %	\$9	
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch en Landbouwexp. plooiat in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	{ Tls. 547,502 Tls. 27,603	Tls. 10,374	{ first interim of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.3.06 account 1906 None	8 1/2 %	Tls. 242 1/2 sellers	
Philippine Company, Limited	67,500	\$10	\$10	{ none	Dr. P. 34,324	Tls. 31 final & Tls. 14 bonus making	6 1/2 %	Tls. 135 buyers	
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	16,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 165,000	Tls. 1,017	Tls. 8 1/2 1905	11 %	Tls. 55 sales	
Shanghai Horse Bazaar Co., Ltd.	5,400	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	{ Tls. 45,000	Tls. 9,751	Tls. 6 for 1904	9 1/2 %	Tls. 150 sellers	
Shanghai Pulp and Paper Company, Limited	4,500	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 37,000 Tls. 8,000 Tls. 24,820 Tls. 25,000	Tls. 2,753	Final of Tls. 8 making Tls. 14 for 1905	7 %	Tls. 70 sales	
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	{ Tls. 25,000	Tls. 1,452	Final of Tls. 3 making Tls. 5 for 1905	...	Tls. 450	
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	{ 7,200 7,200 6,000 20,000	{ £20 £20 £25 \$5	{ £20 £20 £25 \$5	{ Tls. 190,000 Tls. 8,000 none none	{ Tls. 85,592 Dr. \$44,089 \$1,134	{ Final of 37/6 making 52/6 for 1905, 6 First year None 50 cents for year ended 31.5.05	{ 8 1/2 % 7 1/2 %	{ Tls. 200 buyers \$20 \$6	
South China Morning Post, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	{ Tls. 15,295 1/2 Tls. 4,000	Tls. 1,012	Interim of Tls. 4 for year 1905/6	7 1/2 %	Tls. 110	
Union Waterworks Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	{ Tls. 4,000	...	80 cents for year ending 31.5.1905	9 %	\$9	
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900	\$10	\$10	{ \$22,000	\$551	{ \$19.80 for year ended 31.5.1905	11 %	\$180	
Do. (Founders)	100	\$10	\$10	{ \$300,000 \$25,000	\$6,096	Interim of 50 cents for 1905	7 1/2 %	\$13 1/2 buyers	
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$4,500	\$676	Interim div. of 50 cts. for the year 1905, 6	10 %	\$10 1/2	
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$10	\$10	{ \$4,500	...	...	...	...	
DIVIDENDS PAYABLE									
						Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	51	14th May	
						do. do. (new shares)	6 1/2 cts.	do.	
						A. S. Watson & Co.	50 cts.	do.	